

related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45 day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21)

Dated: February 6, 2004.

**Rick Brazell,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Forest Service**

**Northwest Sacramento Provincial Advisory Committee (SAC PAC)**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Northwest Sacramento Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet on March 31, 2004, at the Camden House in Whiskeytown National Park, California. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss issues relating to implementing the Northwest Forest Plan.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held March 31, 2004.

*Location:* The meeting will be held in the Camden House at Whiskeytown National Park, CA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie Nelson, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Shasta-Trinity National Forest, 3644 Avtech Parkway, Redding CA, 96002 (530) 226-2429; or by e-mail: *jknelson@fs.fed.us*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting is open to the public. Opportunity will be provided for public input and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: February 23, 2004.

**J. Sharon Heywood,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**[03-03-S]**

**Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration; Designation for the Champaign (IL), Detroit (MI), Eastern Iowa (IA), Enid (OK), Keokuk (IA), and Michigan (MI) Areas**

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) announces designation of the following organizations to provide official services

under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act):

Champaign-Danville Grain Inspection Departments, Inc. (Champaign);

Detroit Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Detroit);

Eastern Iowa Grain Inspection and Weighing Service, Inc. (Eastern Iowa); Enid Grain Inspection Company, Inc. (Enid);

Keokuk Grain Inspection Service (Keokuk); and

Michigan Grain Inspection Services, Inc. (Michigan).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647-S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3604.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet M. Hart at 202-720-8525, e-mail *Janet.M.Hart@usda.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

In the September 2, 2003, **Federal Register** (68 FR 52178), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to the official agencies named above to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by October 1, 2003.

Champaign, Detroit, Eastern Iowa, Enid, Keokuk, and Michigan were the sole applicants for designation to provide official services in the entire area currently assigned to them, so GIPSA did not ask for additional comments on them.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act and, according to section 7(f)(1)(B), determined that Champaign, Detroit, Eastern Iowa, Enid, Keokuk, and Michigan are able to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the September 2, 2003, **Federal Register**, for which they applied. Interested persons may obtain official services by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

Official agency	Headquarters location and telephone	Designation start-end
Champaign .....	Champaign, IL—(217) 398-0723 .....	4/01/2004-3/31/2007
	Additional locations: Hoopston, IL, and Terre Haute, IN .....	
Detroit .....	Emmet, MI—(810) 395-2105 .....	4/01/2004-3/31/2007
Eastern Iowa .....	Davenport, IA—(563) 322-7140 .....	4/01/2004-3/31/2007
	Additional locations: Dubuque and Muscatine, IA; Gulfport, IL .....	

Official agency	Headquarters location and telephone	Designation start–end
Enid .....	Enid, OK—(580) 233–1121 ..... Additional location: Catoosa, OK .....	4/01/2004–3/31/2007
Keokuk .....	Keokuk, IA—(319) 524–6482 ..... Additional location: Havana, IL .....	4/01/2004–3/31/2007
Michigan .....	Marshall, MI—(269) 781–2711 ..... Additional locations: Cairo, OH, and Carrollton, MI .....	4/01/2004–3/31/2007

**Authority:** Pub. L. 94–582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

**Donna Reifschneider,**  
*Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration**

[04–01–A]

**Opportunity for Designation in the Amarillo (TX), Cairo (IL), Louisiana, North Carolina, Belmond (IA), and Wisconsin Areas, and Request for Comments on the Official Agencies Serving These Areas**

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The designations of the official agencies listed below will end in September 2004. Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

(GIPSA) is asking persons interested in providing official services in the areas served by these agencies to submit an application for designation. GIPSA is also asking for comments on the quality of services provided by these currently designated agencies: Amarillo Grain Exchange, Inc. (Amarillo); Cairo Grain Inspection Agency, Inc. (Cairo); Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (Louisiana); North Carolina Department of Agriculture (North Carolina); D. R. Schaal Agency, Inc. (Schaal); and Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (Wisconsin).

**DATES:** Applications and comments must be postmarked or electronically dated on or before April 1, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit applications and comments to USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647–S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250–3604; FAX 202–690–2755. If an application is submitted by FAX, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications and comments will be

made available for public inspection at Room 1647–S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., during regular business hours.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet M. Hart at 202–720–8525, e-mail *Janet.M.Hart@usda.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512–1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this Action.

Section 7(f)(1) of the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act), authorizes GIPSA’s Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides that designations of official agencies shall end not later than triennially and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in section 7(f) of the Act.

**1. CURRENT DESIGNATIONS BEING ANNOUNCED FOR RENEWAL**

Official agency	Main office	Designation start	Designation end
Amarillo .....	Amarillo, TX .....	12/01/2001	9/30/2004
Cairo .....	Cairo, IL .....	10/01/2001	9/30/2004
Louisiana .....	Baton Rouge, LA .....	10/01/2001	9/30/2004
North Carolina .....	Raleigh, NC .....	10/01/2001	9/30/2004
Schaal .....	Belmond, IA .....	12/01/2001	9/30/2004
Wisconsin .....	Madison, WI .....	12/01/2001	9/30/2004

a. Pursuant to section 7(f)(2) of the Act, the following geographic area, in the States of Oklahoma and Texas, is assigned to Amarillo.

In Texas:  
Bounded on the North by the Texas-Oklahoma State line to the eastern Clay County line;

Bounded on the East by the eastern Clay, Archer, Throckmorton, Shackelford, and Callahan County lines;

Bounded on the South by the southern Callahan, Taylor, and Nolan County lines;

Bounded on the West by the western Nolan, Fisher, Stonewall, King, and

Cottle County lines; the western Childress County line north to U.S. Route 287; U.S. Route 287 northwest to Donley County; the southern Donley and Armstrong County lines west to Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River; Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River northwest to State Route 217; State Route 217 west to FM 1062; FM 1062 west to U.S. Route 385; U.S. Route 385 north to Oldham County; the southern Oldham County line; the western Oldham, Hartley, and Dallam County lines.

Beaver, Beckham, Cimarron, Ellis, Harper, Roger Mills, and Texas Counties, Oklahoma.

b. Pursuant to section 7(f)(2) of the Act, the following geographic area, in the States of Illinois, Kentucky, and Tennessee, is assigned to Cairo.

Randolph County (southwest of State Route 150 from the Mississippi River north to State Route 3); Jackson County (southwest of State Route 3 southeast to State Route 149; State Route 149 east to State Route 13; State Route 13 southeast to U.S. Route 51; U.S. Route 51 south to Union County); and Alexander,